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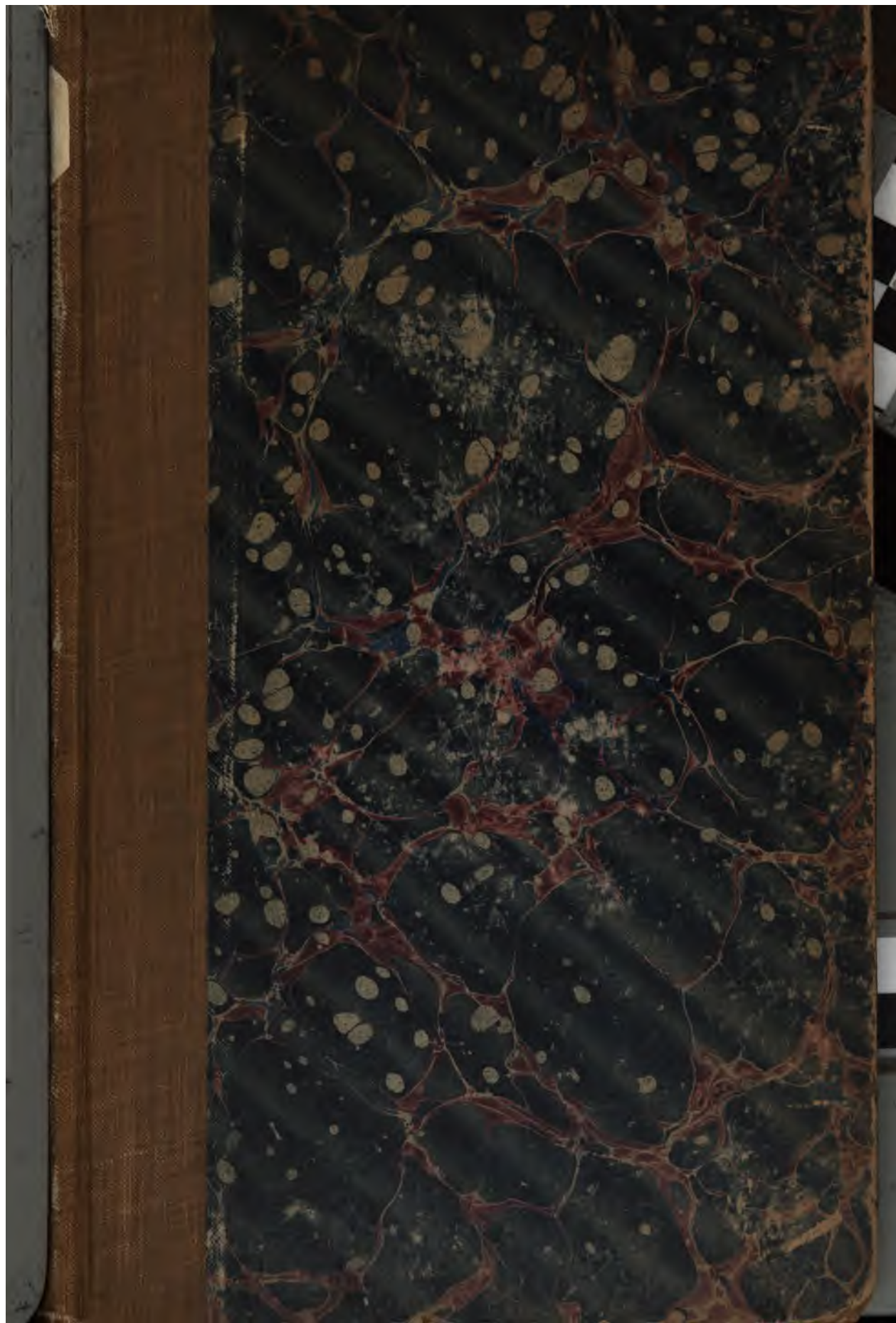
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INCLUDING

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NOTES.

The following printed inscriptions represent the lettering and its arrangement on the gravestones as well as possible with ordinary type. The exact orthography, including carets and letters interlined, and also the raised letters of abbreviations with the marks under them, so much used at that period, are preserved. As the inscriptions were carefully copied, and after being put in type, were compared with the originals and corrected, their accuracy is assured. Several inscriptions on the plates are not very distinct, owing to the difficulty of obtaining good photographs from the stones. The lower lines on a few of the stones which have been broken and reset are hidden below the surface so that a spade is required to bring them to view.

The town records inform us that the north graveyard was fenced and cared for as early as 1803, and that considerable attention has been paid to it ever since, also that the south graveyard was likewise fenced and cared for at an early date; so it is probable that few, perhaps none of the early gravestones have been lost, although from disintegration by water and frost, especially at their junction with the ground, some may have fallen and become covered with earth or broken to pieces and removed—something most likely to happen to the small and thin stones at childrens' graves.

In the center cemetery there are 186 stones, and in that at South Lee 20, bearing the memorials of 219 persons who died during the first quarter of the last century.

The following, buried here among kindred or friends, were not residents of the town: Mrs. Adah Eells, Mrs. Abigail Hamblin, Nathaniel Hamblin, Jr., Mrs. Betsey Thatcher, Mrs. Lucinda Bill, William Clark Davis, Eliza Judd, Mrs. Anna Prichard, and probably, Margaret Van Deusen. Jonathan Tuttle, whose memorial appears, was doubtless buried at Redfield, N. Y., where he died.

The death records of the town were not systematically kept by its clerks until 1804, but a very accurate record was kept by Dr. Hyde, pastor of the Congregational Church, during his entire pastorate from June 6, 1792 to the time of his death in 1833. His record gives 413 deaths in town during 1801—1825, of whom 9 were non-residents. To these should be added that of David Blossom, of Lenox, found dead by the roadside in Lee, and of three infants shown by the gravestones, but not recorded, which make a total of 417. The records give also, the names of 7 residents who died out of town; only one of whom—Jonathan Thacher—seems to have been buried here. Dr. Hyde also records the deaths of 4 members of his church who were residents of Lenox, and of a child of a Mr. Hale of Tyringham.

The population of the town was 1267 in 1800; 1395 in 1810, and 1384 in 1820. The average annual mortality of the town during the 25 years under consideration was something less than 12 in the 1000. At that period a large majority of the people living here was of the farmer class.

Strangely enough dates on gravestones are often wrong: as witness those below from the following inscriptions. In each case the records of the town clerk and Dr. Hyde agree, and are undoubtedly correct.

		Date in records.	Date on stone.
Lanson Crocker	died	Nov. 3, 1808	Nov. 4, 1807
Philander Crocker	"	Nov. 12, 1818	July 22, 1818
Son of Sylvanus Foot	"	Feb. 25, 1817	Feb. 11, 1817
Relief Hall	"	Aug. 28, 1804	Aug. 28, 1805
Horace H. Lewis	"	Dec. 27, 1824	Dec. 27, 1825
Milton B. Nye	"	Apr. 21, 1815	March 20, 1815
Sarah Smith	"	March 20, 1815	March 19, 1814
Harriet Spencer	"	Aug. 9, 1816	July 1817

GRAVESTONE INSCRIPTIONS

LEE, MASS.

Including all Extant of the Quarter Century 1801—1825.

CENTER CEMETERY.

John C. Backus
son of Thomas
& Rebecca Backus
Died March 19
1816 aged 7 Mon^s

CATHARINE
Daut^r of
Joseph & Es-
ther Ball died
Aug 29. 1821
aged 11 Mon^s

HARRIET B.
daut^r of Isaac &
Lydia Ball, died
July 14, 1824
aged 11 weeks &
4 days

In memory of
Rhoda Ball
Daut^r of Cap^t Nathan
& Mrs Fear Ball
who Died July 23, 1809
in the 3rd Year of her age

Sleep on sweet babe & take
thy rest
God call'd thee home he saw
it beft

In
Memory of
LEMUEL BARLOW,
who died
March 10. 1813, in
the 55 year of his
Age.

Now clos'd in death beneath the
dust he lies,
Silent his voice, forever clos'd
his eyes,
The immortal part has on sw-
ift pinions flown
To take its sentence in the wor-
ld unknown.

In memory of
MRS. LYDIA BARLOW.
who died March 1st
aged 25. 1822

There is a calm for those that weep,
A rest for weary pilgrims found,
And while the mouldering ashes sleep,
Low in the ground;
The soul of origin divine,
Gods glorious image freed from clay,
In Heavens eternal sphere shall shine,
A star of day.

CENTER CEMETERY.

JULIA,
daughter of
Dr H & Mrs K.
Bartlett
died March 20, 1818
aged 1 year 17 days

WILLIAM,
son of Doct. H.
& Mrs K. Bartlett
Died May 5,
1824. aged
1 year.

In
memory of Mrs
Abigail Bassett;
wife of Mr
Cornelius Bassett ^{junr}
who died Dec. 8th 1812,
in the 54th Year
of her Age.

My days are past, my glass is run,
My friends I've left my death to mourn

In memory of
MR CORNELIUS BASSETT,
who died
Nov. 21, 1821, in
the 69 year
of his age.

Look down upon this sacred spot and see
What death can do to you as well as me
Sweet bosom friend your falling sand is nigh
Children prepare 't is God that calls on high

In memory of
ELISHA BASSETT,
who died Dec^r 22th
1822.
in the 41st year of his
age.

*Friends & Physicians could not save
This mortal body from the grave,
Nor can the grave confine it here,
When Jesus calls it must appear.*

HANNAH BASSETT
died Oct^r 29th 1812 in
the 24th year of her
Age—Erected by
Elifha Foot with whom
she lived from a Child
until her Death

No plants in natures garden
spring
Could heal or swage deaths fa-
tal sting

In memory of
an Infant son of
Mr Nathan & Mrs
Martha Bassett
who died March
31st 1811 Aged 5
Days

In
memory of
NATH'L BASSETT JR
who died May 18.
1822 in the 28
year of his age.

Roxany. H.
Daught^r of Gershom
& Abigail Bassett,
Died Feby 12, 1817
aged 2 Years & 8 Mon

Sleep on dear babe & take
thy rest
God call'd thee home he saw
it best

CENTER CEMETERY.

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Thankful Bassett,
wife of Dea.
Nathan Bassett
of Barnstable,
was born Sep. 19,
1718. and died
March 18, 1809
aged 91 years.

Henry,
son of
Henry & Lydia
Bowen, Died
Feb. 21, 1818
aged 23 D's.

In memory of
 Thomas Bassett
 who died Oct^r
 20 1807 in the
 28 year
 of his age

JOSEPH J. son
 of JOEL & HARRI-
 OT BRADLEY, di
 ed April 3. 1821
 Æ. 1 Y. 24 D's

Ah! wither'd joys? how
quick, how soon,
The fondest hopes of
Parent gone!

In memory of
 Mrs Wealthean;
 Consort of Mr Elijah
 Benton, who died
 March 19, 1814, aged
 36 Years.

MRS. LUCY BRADLEY,
 wife of
 Mr JESSE BRADLEY the 2nd.
 died July 25th 1824.
 in the 57th year
 of her age.

Here let me rest my weary head
 Till Christ my Lord shall raise the
 dead

In memory of
 an Infant son of
 M^r Amos & M^{rs}
 Lydia Birchard
 who died May
 19th 1809

Rhoda Jane
 Daughter of
 Elisha & Soph
 roniah Bradley
 Died
 Sep. 14, 1823
 Æ. 2 Y^s
 9 M^s

In Memory of
 Edwin son to
 Mr Amos & Mrs
 Lydia Birchard
 who died July 7
 1812 aged 17
 days

An Infant, son
 of JOSHUA &
 ABIGAIL BRIGG,
 died April
 20, 1820.

Bartlet

Son of Mr Heman
& Mrs Eunice

Chadwick died

Decr 6, 1812 aged

4 Months

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No
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In memory of
Mr Heman Chadwick
who Died
August 19, 1815
Aged 35 years.

GOD is juft supreme his power
Mortals be silent and adore

In memory of
Friend William
Chanter, who de-
parted this life
Sep. 10 1806 in
the 83d year of his
age

In memory of
Eleanor Chanter,
wife of Friend Willia^m
Chanter, who died
June 9th 1808 in the
79th year of her age.

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In memory of
Martha Chanter
wife to George
Chanter who died
June 12, 1808 in the
59 year of her age

For
lives
at th
And
desti
shall

In memory of
M^{rs} Anna Church
consort of M^r
Daniel Church Junr
who died April 25
1801 in the 59 year
of her age .

The flesh refts here till Jesus
come
And claims the treasure from
the tomb

Here lie buried
the mortal remains of
Mrs. HARRIOT CHURCH,
the wife of Mr. Charles Church,
and the oldest daughter of
the Rev. Alvan and Mrs. Lucy
Hyde, who died at her father's
house, in full hope of a blessed
immortality, Oct. 14th 1824,
aged 26.

*The path of death must once be
trod by all.*

CHARLES W.
Son of LUMAN
& SOFIA CHU
RCH, died Feb.
23. 1821, Æ.
5 Months.

*Sleep on sweet babe
And take thy rest
GOD call'd the home
He saw it best.*

An Infant
Son of
Jeremiah and
Betsey Clark,
who died
June, 11, 1823,
aged 7 days.

WILLIAM,
son of Henry,
R. & Eliza. B.
Couch, died
Octr 2, 1821
aged 10 days.

In memory of Lanson
son of Jedediah Crocker
Esq^r & M^{rs} Sarah his
wife who Nov 4, 1807
departed this life in the
5 year of his age

In memory of
M^r Noah Crocker
who died April 10
1807 in the 84th
year of his age

Philander,
son of Mr Eleazer
& M^{rs} Patience
Crocker Died July
22, 1818 aged 8
Months & 12 days

*Erected by his brother
Thomas Crosby.*

In
Memory of
JOHN CROSBY,
who died
Sept^r 2, 1822,
Æ. 55 Y^rs.

Also his daughter
ANNA,
who died
March, 21, 1821,
Æ. 17 Y^rs.

A son of
Thomas & Susan-
na Crosby died
Feb 21st 1805
aged 9 days

George Woodward,
son of Samuel
& Lucy Cumings,
died Octr 20, 1817.
aged 14 Months
and 2 days.

In memory
of Mr Calvin Davis
who died Dec. 16th
1803 in the 25th
year of his age

In youthful bloom death
laid me down
Here to await the trumpets
sound
When GOD doth call I must
arise
And meet my Saviour in
the skies

Bourn Green,
Son of
Nathan & Rebecca
DILLINGHAM,
Died March 14. 1808
aged
9 Months
& 13 Days.

In
memory of
Mr Elifha Dodge
who Died
March 13, 1807
in the 32nd Year
of his age

George Buckley,
son of Samuel
& Abigail Dorr,
Died Sept 18th
1812 aged 5 Years

In silence here I lie
On Earth I might not stay
When life began
Deaths summons came
And hastened me away

In
memory of
Mrs Nancy Dunn,
Wife of Mr John Dunn,
who died July 23, 1817
aged 38 years.

Farewell my weeping husband dear
Farewell my friends & daughter near
Be ready then to meet the Lamb
Of God the Judge the great I AM

Thomas Alonzo
son of Mr Thomas
& Mrs Sibyl
Durant died
Dec 2 1818 aged
6 Months

In Memory of Mrs
ADAH EELLS;

Consort of Mr
JOHN EELLS Junr
and daughter to Dea.
Rowland Thatcher,
who died March 23d 1812
in the 29th year of her age.

In faith she died in dust she lies,
But faith foresees, that dust must rise
When Jesus comes, while hope assumes
And boasts her joy among the tombs.

Mrs NANCY FESSENDEN
departed this life June 23, 1813.
aged 34½ years; The Wife of
Cornelius. T. Fessenden

She's gone nor angels could prevent her flight
of eternal light
Her lovely soul has winged its way to region
There gentle spirit may you find,
That happiness denied you here,
There peace and harmony are joined,
Nor can distraction enter there,
There no aspersing tongue can send,
It's venom to thy feeling heart,
Jesus is thy immortal friend,
Nor will he ere depart.

But where, O where, shall her poor husband find
One beam of light to cheer his drooping mind
All sad he wanders round the earth & skies
But no soft solace meets his falling eyes.

To the memory of
Mrs ANNA FOOT,
Consort of
Mr ASAH EL FOOT,
who died Jan. 21.
1820, Aged 49 Years.

What can avert the sting of death,
And overpower the grave,
Thou canst resistless heavenly faith
Immortal thou canst save.

CENTER CEMETERY.

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Semantha
Dautr of Mr Thomas
& Mrs Dame Foot,
Died Octr 28, 1818,
aged, 18 Months.

An evening bud a morning flowe^r
Cut down & wither'd in an hour

The Grave
of A Son
of Sylvanus, &
Abigail Foot
who died
Feb'y 11, 1817
aged 15 days

In memory of Mifs
Mary Freese, Daut^r to
M^r John & M^{rs} Desire
Freese, who died Nov 13
1804 aged 31 years 1 Mo
& 2 days.

Here beneath this gloomy stone
I fleep in quiet and alone
All you that read will shortly see
That you must die & fleep with
me

In memory of Mifs
Sally Freese, Daut^r to
Mr John & M^{rs} Desire
Freese, who died
March 25th 1807, aged
23 years & 24 days.

In death I had no anxious
fears,
Here I shall rest till Chrif^t
appears,
His voic will sound throug^h
earth & skies,
And bid the fleeping saints
arise.

Mr
omas Fuller
d Sept^r 24, 1808
in the 91st
ar of his age
Mrs Lucy Fuller his
wife died Sept 26
1824 aged 89
[Stone mutilated.]

VARNUM GARDNER,
died
Feb. 26, 1819,
Æ. 47 Y's.

In memory of
ABIGAIL GARFIELD,
*Daut^r of Capt Silas &
Mrs. Sophia Garfield
who died
Feb 1st. 1824
aged 15 years.*

Here lies the Body of
Daniel Garfield son to
Capt Enoch & M^{rs} Abi-
gail Garfield who died
March 11th 1801 in the
14th year of his age.

A worning to my brothers
and fifters.

As you are now fo once was^I
As I am now you foon must be
Do not neglect to hear me call
For I am the youngest of
you all

LUCINDA,
Daut^r of Luke &
Rebeckah Gates,
died May 19,
1809, aged 4
years & 5 Months

In memory
of Mr Sylvanus Gif-
ford who died Feb.
8th 1804 in the 84
year of his age

CENTER CEMETERY.

Albert
son of Lieut Abraham
& Mrs Rachel Hall
died Feby 16th 1809
Aged 16 days

Mrs Rachel Hall,
Consort of Lieut Abraham
Hall, Died March 2nd
1809, in the 29th
year of her Age.

Behold we see, while here we look:
The dearest ties, of Friendship broke:
Tho grief & sorrow, pierce the heart,
The dearest Friends, we see must part.

In
Memory of
Miss ELIZA HALL,
Daut^r of M^r Collins &
M^{rs} Rebecca Hall, who
died March 8, 1825
aged 21 years.

Farewell my weeping Parents dear,
Farewell my friends & sisters near;
I wish you all to live in love,
And make your peace with God above.

In memory of
M^{rs} Relief Hall,
wife of
Cap^t Moses Hall,
who Died August 28th
1805. in the 37th
year of her Age

GOD is just, supreme his power,
Mortals be silent, and adore.

ABIGAIL HAMBLIN
WIFE OF
Nathaniel Hamblin,
Who Died
August, 15, 1825;
AGED 75 YEARS.

In
Memory of Miss
HANNAH HAMBLIN,
Daut^r of Cornelius
& Mercy Hamblin
who died August 9
1822. Æ 16.

In memory of Job
son to Mr Cornelius
& Mrs Marcy Hamblin
who was killed by the
fall of a mantle stone
at school May 20th 1808
in the 9th year of his
age

All the days of my ap-
pointed time did I wait
till my change come

IN
Memory of
JAMES HAMBLIN,
WHO DIED
Jan 13, 1824
aged 40 years.

NATHANIEL HAMBLIN, JR.

Died
May, 10, 1810;
In the 26 Year
OF HIS AGE.

In memory of
Betsey Daut^r to Mr
Zina & Mrs Betsey
Hinkley who died
Octr 17 1806 in the
5 year of her age

In
memory of
Mr EDMUND HINCKLEY,
who died Sep^r 20 1824,
aged 25 years,
In consequence of the
explosion of a
Powder Mill.

How quick how sudden was his flight
To yonder world unknown! blaze,
How small the spark that caus'd the
That sent him to his tomb.

In memory
of Mr Isaac Howk,
who died
Jan. 29th 1805,
In the 48th
year of his age.

In memory
of Miss Katharine daut^r
to Mr Isaac & Mrs Fiche
Howk who died March
25 1806
aged 17 years & 6 months

Sacred to the memory of the
Rev. ALVAN HYDE Jun^r,
the oldest son of the Rev.
Alvan and Mrs. Lucy Hyde,
and Pastor of the church of
Christ in Madison, Geauga
County, Ohio, who was ordain-
ed to that sacred work, Sep. 1st
1819, and finding his health im-
paired by excessive labor, returned
to his father's house, July 6th 1822,
where after languishing two
years, he died Aug^t 12th 1824,
aged 30.

Memento Mori.

In
Memory of
CHARLES-BACKUS,
Son of the Rev.
Alvan and M^{rs} Lucy
Hyde,
Who died March 20th
1813, Aged 17 years.
Tho. dead, he still forcibly,
Yet silently speaks, and
Calls upon the living
To prepare for death.

In memory of Mrs
Abigail wife to Mr
John Ingersoll who
died June 11th 1806
in the 26th year of
her age

Behold we see while here we
look
The dearest ties of friendship
broke
Tho grief & sorrow pierce the
heart
The dearest friends we see must
part

JARED INGERSOLL,

DIED

JUNE 1, 1825,

Æ. 68 YRS.

ELIZABETH

HIS WIFE

DIED MAR. 25, 1824,

Æ. 60 YRS.

In memory of Miss
RHODA INGERSOLL,
Daut^r of
Jared & Elizabeth
Ingersoll, who died
March 8, 1816.
aged 18 years.

In Memory
of M^{rs} Mary In-
gersoll, wife to M^r
Elijah Ingersoll, who
died Dec^m 16th 1807,
in the 44th year
of her age.

*Beneath this stone
are interred the mortal remains of
Mr. MOSES INGERSOLL,
who died, September the 9th, 1818,
aged 65 years.*

*Relying on the truths of God's word
and conscious of being united to
Christ, he calmly resigned his breath
In full hope of a glorious immortality
Blessed are the dead, who die in
the Lord.*

*In
memory of
LOIS KELLOGG
who died
Sep. 17, 1824,
in the 24 year
[Stone broken.]*

*In memory of
HARRIET MARIA
Daughter of
Mr. Winthrop, and
Mrs. Fanny Laffin;
Who died Oct 13th
1823;
aged 7 weeks.
Happy infant early bless'd
Rest in peaceful slumber, rest*

*In
Memory of
Mr Henry Leonard
Son of
Mr Elijah & Mrs
Hannah Leonard
who Died Dec^r 16
1815, Æ. 18.
—8—
Prepare to meet your God*

*In memory of
HORACE. H. LEWIS,
who was blown up in
a Powder-Mill Dec 14
1825 & died the 27,
in the 29 year of his
age.*

*Farewell my friends & Children
dear
Prepare for death while I sleep
here.*

*In memory of Mr
Joseph Nichols who
died April 2nd 1805
in the 71st year of his
age*

*Ye living mortals stop and read
A solemn warning from the dead
Your life is frail your death is sure
Believe on Christ and Heav'n secur^d*

*IN
memory of
BELINDA NOLCOT,
wife of John Nolcot,
who died Nov 27,
1825, aged 36*

*In
Memory of
SIMEON D. NORCUT
Who died
Oct. 18. 1830,
Æ. 21 Ys.*

*CHARLES, son of
John & Melinda
Norcut,
died May, 15, 1825,
Æ. 6 Ys.*

*In
memory of
MRS ANNA, widow
of MR ABRAHAM
NORTHRUP, died
Sep^t 29, 1815,
aged 84.*

*In memory of
Miss ABIGAIL NYE;
Daut^r of John Nye Esq^r
& Mrs Lois his wife,
who died
Sept 15, 1820,
aged 18 Years.
Mortals be still, twas Gods decree;
Go youth prepare to follow me.*

CENTER CEMETERY.

In memory of Harvey
Nye son to Mr Levi
& Mrs polly Nye who
departed this life
March the 8 1805
aged one year and
12 days.

Sacred to the Memory of
M^r John Nye,
who died May 15th 1810,
aged 87 years;
and of M^{rs}
Annis Nye,
his second wife, who died June
6th 1811, aged 85 years.
The memory of the Just is blessed.

Milton Brewster,
son of
Ira & Almira Nye,
died March 20,
1815 aged 6 Month^s
& 6 Days.

BRADFORD,
Son of Bradford &
Mrs Deborah
Packard, who died
Sept. 14, 1824,
aged 8 Mo. & 17 D^s

*Like as a bud, nipt from
the tree,
Death has parted you
and me.*

In memory of Remem-
ber Parker dau^r to M^r
Jorge Parker who died
june 26 1803 in the
19 year of her age

God, is juft supreme his
power
Mortals be silent & adore

In memory of
MRS SALLY,
wife of
MR ELISHA PERCIVAL Jr
who died
June 28, 1815. Æ.
30 Years.

*Farewell my friends & children
dear,
Prepare for death while I sleep
here,
Could you but know as much
as I,
How soon you would prepare
to die.*

In memory of
M^{rs} Catharine Perry
wife of
M^r Arthur Perry
who died
Feb^r 5, 1817 in the
86 year of her age

*Through life in virtues path she trod
In death her hope was plac'd in God*

Benjamin Frank-
lin son to Mr
Anfelm & Mrs
Polly Phinney
died Sept^r 2d
1802 aged 1 year
& 3 Months

John. Y. Porter
son of Ebenezer
& Eunice Porter
died March 11th
1808 aged 4
months & 2 days

In
memory of
Mrs Prudence Porter,
wife of
Mr Samuel Porter,
who Died May 16, 1813
in the 62d Year
of her age.

*Death is my doom my glass is run
My friends I've left my death to n
But stop tis right dont shed a tear
For God commands the whole affa*

CENTER CEMETERY.

AN
Memory of
Mr William Prout
who died July 5th
1812 Aged 77
Years

In
memory of
MR. AMOS ROBERTS
who died
March 3, 1823
Æ. 66.

Lamented most, by
those who knew him
best.

In memory of
MR^{rs} Susanna Roberts
wife of
Mr Amos Roberts
who died June 20th
1813 aged 56 years

In memory of
MRS. ELIZABETH,
wife of
MR. LEVI ROBINSON,
who died Oct. 19. 1820.
Æ. 59 Years.

Her languishing head is at rest,
Its thinkings & achings are o'er,
Her quiet & unmoveable breast;
Is heard by affliction no more,
The lids she so seldom could close,
By sorrow forbidden to sleep,
Seal'd up in eternal repose,
Have strangely forgotten to weep.

LEVI ROBINSON,
DIED
 April 16, 1843.
 Æ. 82 Y's.

ELIZABETH
DIED Aug. 1, 1825,
 Æ. 39 Y's.

FANNY,
 died Dec. 12, 1839,
 Æ. 45 Y's.

Both daughters of
Levi & Elizabeth
Robinson.

In memory of
 George. G. Sanford
 son of Mr Elihu
 & Mrs Penelope
 Sanford, who Died
 August 31, 1816 in
 in the 2nd Year of his
 age.

Here lie interred
 the Children of
 Doct^r Eraftus and
 Margaret Sergeant
 Nancy, died Feby 17th
 1805 Ætat 1 year 8
 months & 22 days.

Deaths chilling frost
 soon nipt the opening
 Bud:
 Her body dust, the
 soul returned to GOD

A Son ftill-born March
 11 1806.

OLIVER P SERGENT,
died August 17, 1814
 Æ, 15 M^s & 25 D^s

also **MARTHA O**
SERGENT, died
April 6, 1821, Æ
 3 M^s 20 D^s

AARON,
 son of
Aaron and Lucinda
Shepardson,
 who died
 Sept 16, 1822,
 aged 2 years.

In
memory of Mr
Benjamin Smith
who died
April 4th 1813
Aged 62 Years
9 Months &
18 Days

Down to the dead
All muft decend
The Saints of God muft die
While Angels gard
Their souls to reft
In duft their Bodies lie

Mrs Sarah Smith
died March
19. 1814
aged 66 years
& 5 months.

Benjamin Smith 2nd
died June
22. 1822
aged 40 years
& 7 months.

The Grave of
Miss Jane Smith
who Died
July 31st 1811
Aged 44 Years

stone
Here beneath this gloomy
I sleep in quiet and alone

In memory of
Mr Samuel Smith
who Died
March 29 1819
aged 95 years

Formerly from Connetticut
Lying at his right hand Harriot
Dautr of Jonathan and Sally
Spencer who died July
1817 aged 1 year

In memory of
JESSE SPARKS,
who was
instantly killed in
a Powder-Mill, Sep. 18,
1824, aged 19 Years.

Lemuel Sparks,
died July 18. 1822
aged 52 Years.

Depart my friends dry
up your tears
I must lie here till Christ
appears

In
Memory of
Mrs Mary Sparks
wife of
Mr Lemuel Sparks
who Died March 6
1818 Æ 45

In memory of
Mr James Stevens
who died Oct^r
22^d 1809 in the 43
year of his age

HENRY F.
son of Moses
and Sarah
Strong, died
Dec. 14. 1822
aged 15 Months

ELIZA Sturges.
Dautr of Wm &
Sally Sturges,
Died April 28, 1816
aged 1 Year & 9 Mon

those little rites, a tear
a stone receive;
tis all a father, all a friend
can give.

CENTER CEMETERY.

In memory of
Mrs Elizabeth Sturges,
 wife of
Mr Jonathan Sturges,
 who Died
March 17, 1813 aged 58,

*Forgive blest shade the tributary tear
 That mourns thy exit from a world like this
 Forgive the wish that would have kept thee here
 And stay'd thy progress to the seats of bliss*

HARRIET
daugh^t of
Nehemiah & Hannah
STURGES
died
April 21, 1820,
Æ. 8 M's.

There is rest in heav'n.

In memory of
LYDIA STURGES,
 wife of
NEHEMIAH STURGES,
 who died
March 29. 1816,
 aged 29 years.

*Through life in virtuous path she trod
 In death her hope was plac'd in GOD.*

IN
 Memory of
NEHEMIAH STURGES,
DIED

March 9, 1821,

Æ. 34 Y's.

In
 MEMORY OF
WILLIAM STURGES JR.
 WHO DIED
SEP 14, 1825
AGED 25 YEARS.

Thou sleepest but we will remember thee

This stone erected by Row-
 land **THATCHER jun^r** to
 perpetuate the memory of
Mrs Betsey THATCHER his
 wife who died Jan^y 16 1804
 aged 24 years 9 months & 20 days

*My friends behold as you pass by
 As you are now so once was I
 As I am now so you must be
 Prepare for Death and follow me*

In memory of
M^r ROWLAND THATCHER^{Jr}
 who departed this
 life May 5th 1809
 in the 31st year
 of his Age.

*Behold we see, while here we look;
 The dearest ties, of Friendship broke;
 Tho grief & sorrow, pierce the heart,
 The dearest Friends, we see must part.*

In memory of
BETSEY F. THATCHER,
Daugh^t of TIMOTHY &
DOROTHY THATCHER,
who died
March 28, 1820, Æ.
16 Years.

*Farewell my weeping Parents dear
 Farewell my Brothers & Sisters near
 I wish you all to live in love,
 And make your peace with GOD a-
 bove.*

In memory of
CONTENT THATCHER,
 who died
March 1st 1825, in
 the 84 year
 of her age.

In memory of
M^r Jonathan Thacher,
son of M^r Jethro &
M^{rs} Hannah Thacher,
who died at Alford, Dec^r
14th 1807, of the kick of an
horse, in the 28 year of his age.

Friends nor Physicians could not
save
My mortal body from the
grave
Nor can this clay confine me
here
When Christ shall call me
to appear

In
memory of
Mr Rowland Thatcher,
Son of
Mr Jethro, & Mrs Hannah
Thatcher,
who died October 4th
1813, aged 25
Years.

Farewell my weeping Parents dear,
Farewell my friends & Sisters near,
I wish you all to live in love,
And make your peace with God above.

ELIEL:
Last member of the
Family of M^r
NATHAN & M^{rs} LUCY
TOBEY,
died of a wound
Rec^d by a rakes-tail
on sliding from
a hay-mow, Dec^r 29
1809 Æ 16 years.

ANNA wife of
JONATHAN TUTTLE
died March 8, 1841,
Æ. 61 Y's.

JONATHAN TUTTLE

DIED

*In Redfield
Jefferson Co. N. Y.*
June 19, 1814,
Æ. 41 Y's.

In memory of
M^r Matthew Vandusen,
who Departed
this Life,
March 7th 1807,
in the 68th
year of his age.

In memory of
Lowrence son to
Mr Matthew Van-
dusen junr who died
Jan. 30th 1805
aged 4 months &
27 days

In memory of
William son to
Mr Matthew
Vandusen junr
who died Nov.
19th 1802
aged 3 Mo & 7 da

In Memory of
Miss Margaret Vandeu-
sen, Daut^r to M^r John,
& Mrs Katharine
Vandusen, of Gt.
Barrington, who
died April 25, 1807
in the 24 year of
her age.

Marshal Van Dusen,
son of
Mathew & Betsey
Van Dusen, died May
21. 1820. aged 14
years, & 6 months.

*In
Memory of
George Warren
Son of
John & Phila Warren
who died
June 30. 1821.
Æ 1 year*

In memory of
Amasa Weft
son of Mr Joshua
& Mrs Mary Weft
who died Sep 3, 1818
Aged 4 Years

An Infant
son of Joshua
Weft Died
Decm 1818

In Memory of
Caleb West
son of
Joshua & Mary
West who Died
August 3, 1817
aged 6 years

In memory
of Mrs Lois Weft
wife to Mr
Ephraim Weft
who died May
3d 1806 aged
19 years

In memory
Mehetabel
Dau^r of Mr Ebeneze
& Mrs Mehetabel
Weft who Died
March 17th 1810
Aged 11 Years and
10 Months

In memory of
James Westcoat
son of Mr Ambrose
& Mrs Polly Westcoat
who died June 12th
1809 in the 8th year
of his Age

HENRY,
son of James Whiton
Esq. & Mrs Deborah
his wife. Died Oct^r
14, 1818 aged 16
Months.

*Suffer little children to come
unto me, and forbid them not,
for of such is the kingdom of
GOD.*

SHERMAN, Son
of MANLY & SALLY
WHITON, died Ma
rch 22, 1819, Æ.
17 Days.

*Rest little saint till JESUS
comes,
To shake the earth & rend
the tombs,
Then rise to heaven in
glorious dress,
Clothed with thy Save-
ours righteousness*

Here lies the body
of Hudfon Wilcox
son to Cap^t Daniel
& Mrs Lydia Wil-
cox, who died May
28 1802 aged 6
years 7 Mo. & 16 da

^r
Think motals what
it is to die!

In memory of
MIME WILLIAMS
wife to
Ephraim Williams,
who died March 18.
1824. aged 48 years.

*To perpetuate the many vir-
tues, of the wife, & the mother,
this stone is erected by her be-
reaved Husband.
To the righteous the grave is the
passport to glory. Reader! will
it be so to thee?*

Two infants of Jacob^b
& Anna Winegars
One died March
8 1797 The other
died June 18
1802

In memory of M^{rs} Anna
Winegar confort of Mr
Jacob Winegar who
departed this Life July
5th 1802 aged 28 years
& 9 Months

Now in the bloom of life
I bid you all adieu
Hufban children & friends
Prepare for your exit too

*Erected by JAC
WINEGAR, to the
memory of SARAH
his 2 wife, who
departed this life
June 3, 1818, in the
46 year of her age.*

*Refrain thy tears
for CHRIST shall come
And claim this body
from the tomb*

*April 19, 1818,
was taken from
health, life, &
friends, in the
12, Yr of her age
THANKFUL, dau^r
of JAC, & SARAH
WINEGAR.*

Beneath this ftone are
interred the mortal Re-
mains of Mrs Grace
Wormer wife to M^r Jer-
miah Wormer who died
July 17th 1803 in the 50th
year of her age.

Ye living mortals stop and rad^e
A folemn warning from the dead^x
Your life is frail your death is fure
Believe ou Ohrift and Heav,n secure

Sacred to the memory
of Miss Hannah Wormer,
daut^r of M^r Jeremiah
Wormer, who died July
5th 1809. in the 30th
year of her age.

Surviving friends, although you
mourn,
Let this console, I shall return;
The righteous Judge can, by his
word,
Bring me triumphing with the
Lord.

Gilbert. L. Wormer
son of Mr Richard &
Mrs Dimerus Wormer
died March 22, 1818
aged 2 Years 2 Month^s
& 18 Days.

Here lies our little son within
Free from sorrow & from sin
Lent to us for years & hours
And then cut down like other
flowers

In
memory of John
Yale, son to Josiah Yale
Esq^r & Ruth his wife,
who departed this life,
Jan^y 16th, 1807. in the 19th
year of his age.

In youthful bloom, death laid
me down;
Here to await, the trumpet
sound;
Repent repent, now you hav^e
time;
For I was taken, in my
prime.

INDISTINCT ON THE FOLLOWING PLATES:—

The lower lines on Capt. Bradley's gravestone are:

He was the Son of Daniel Bradley;
who was the Son of Daniel Bradley;
who was the Son of Abraham Bradley,
who was the Son of William Bradley,
who was one of the first Settlers of Newhaven in 1637.

The lower lines on Martha Crosby's gravestone are:

Farewell all sublunary things
I go to see the King of Kings

The last line on Levi and Sarah Nye's gravestone is:

Time how short! Eternity how long!

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ADDENDA.

The names of two children were omitted from the proper place, not having been found until the preceding pages were printed. They are on the pedestal of the Taylor monument, which stands on a part of the cemetery not used for burials until many years later than 1825.

The inscription containing them is:

CHAUNCEY F.
BORN SEPTEMBER 15, 1809.
DIED OCTOBER 6, 1809.

ELIJAH J.
BORN OCTOBER 9, 1807,
DIED OCTOBER 30, 1810.

CHILDREN OF
ABNER & MARY TAYLOR.

[EAST FACE]

Other inscriptions on the monument are:

ABNER TAYLOR

BORN
MARCH 15, 1784,
DIED
FEB. 11, 1853.

His record is on high.

MARY
WIFE OF
ABNER TAYLOR,

BORN
JAN. 8, 1786,
DIED
APRIL 7, 1865.

TAYLOR
[WEST FACE]

WILLIAM TAYLOR

BORN
JUNE 6, 1811,
DIED
AUG. 8, 1878.

REBECCA H.
WIFE OF
WILLIAM TAYLOR

BORN
JAN. 19, 1821.
DIED
FEB. 25, 1885.
[NORTH FACE]

HORACE TAYLOR

DIED
May 11, 1886.
Æ 71 Y's.
[SOUTH FACE]

SOUTH LEE CEMETERY.



SOUTH LEE CEMETERY.

LUCINDA
WIFE OF
ROSWELL BILL,
DIED
Dec. 29, 1813.
Æ. 32 Y's.

MRS MERIBAH BROWN,
wife of Mr Horatio Brown
died July 18. 1822. in
the 42 year of her age.

*Jesus said unto her, I am the
resurrection and the life: he
that believeth in me, though
he were dead, yet shall he live
And whosoever liveth, and
believeth in me, shall never
die. Believest thou this? she
saith unto him, yea, Lord: I
believe. And when she had
so said: she went her way.*

William Clark Davis
Son of
Mr Samuel & Mrs Marcy
was Born May 25 1809
and Died Oct 20th

ORIN son of
Thomas & Cyn-
tha Hatch died
Jan'y 29 1816
aged 5 Months

IN
Memory of Mr
SAMUEL HULET,
who Died
March 5th 1813.
in the 52nd Year
of his Age.

Friends nor Physicians could not save,
My mortal body from the grave,
Nor can this clay confine me here,
When Christ shall call me to appear.

IN
Memory of Mrs
SUSANNAH HULET;
wife of
Mr Samuel Hulet,
who Died Feb'y 27, 1813.
in the 48th Year of
her Age.

How sudden was the fatal stroke,
When the Almighty summons spoke;
My friends and children now draw near,
And see that you for death prepare.

In memory of
Mrs. AMNEY HURLBERT,
 wife of
Mr Christopher Hurlbert
 who died May 8. 1823
 in the 58 year of her age

LESTER KEEP,
DIED
 May 20, 1825;
Æ. 5 yrs
& 2 m's.

LOIS KEEP,
DIED
 April 3, 1822;
Æ. 4 yr's.

In memory of
Mr. Joseph Hurlburt Junr
 who departed this life
 February 23rd. A.D. 1806
 in the 24th. Year of his age.

In memory of
Cap^t ABIJAH MERRELL
 who died
 Feb. 20. 1823 in the
 88 year of his age.

He is call'd away from all his friends
 And here to lie till all things end
 He lies mouldring all away
 Into duft and silent clay.

Abijah 3rd died Feb
 16. 1817 aged 5 Mons
 Harriet A died Dec
 17. 1818 aged 13 Mons
 Children of Abijah
 & Anna Merrell

ELIZA
Daughter of
Bela &
Patty Judd,
died Oct. 8th 1824
Æ. 2 years.

Orson Merrell
 son of William &
 Asenath H. Merrell
 Died March 5. 1816
 aged 9 Months

BELA JR.
Son of
Bela &
Patty Judd
died August 8th 1833,
Æ. 4 years.

Oh Earthly hopes thy
 fairest prospects vanish
 here

SUSAN,
daughter of
HENRY & BETSEY.
 Miller,
 died April 12,
 1824,
 aged 11 years.

In Memory of
ALYAN, Son
of SAMUEL &
POLLY KEEP,
who died Feb.
5. 1816, Æ. 4
Months.
Also an Infant Son
to the above named
PARENTS, died Dec.
23. 1814.

ANNA
Wife of
Benjamin Prichard
died
Oct. 2, 1809; in the
41 year of her age.

JAMES H. KEEP,
DIED
 Feb. 17, 1823;
Æ. 2 yr's,
& 3 m's.

And I heard a voice from heaven saying
unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead
which die in the Lord from hence-
forth: Yea saith the Spirit, that they
may rest from their labours, and their
works do follow them.

In memory of
Cap^t DANIEL SQUIRE;
who died
Feb. 13. 1817.
aged 32 years.

*Ye living mortals stop and read
A solemn warning from the dead
Your life is frail your death is sure
Believe on Christ & Heaven secure*

Mrs
SALLY WHITON:
late Consort of Mr
Mandley Whiton
died May 5, 1814
aged 29 Years.

*Her mind was tranquil and serene
No terrors in her looks were seen
Her Saviours smile dispel'd the gloom
And smooth'd her passage to the tomb*

INSCRIPTION ON A ROADSIDE MONUMENT, SUMMER STREET:

*On this spot was found
the lifeless corpse of
M^r David Blossom, of Lenox
Son of Capt Ezra, & M^{rs} Mehita-
bel Blossom, on the 8th day of
May, 1814; in the 22 year of his
age. Walking here alone he was
suddenly call'd into Eternity, with-
out any earthly friend to console
him in his last moments, or to close
his dying eyes.*

*Reader! Pause, and consider the vast impor-
tance of being always prepar'd to meet
thy God! For thou knowest not the time, the
place, nor the manner of thy Death!*

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